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GREETINGS

In a world aflame with war, more than ever we cherish our Friendships and Associations and with hope and confidence in the future we extend to you.

NEW YEAR'S GREETING

AND GOOD WISHES

COOLEY BROS

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Aitken motored to Calgary Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Anderson, of Seattle, U. S. A. arrived here this also Mrs. Joyce Hog of High River who will spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milligan.

Miss Nancy Connor who has been attending Normal School at Calgary, and Dudley Connor who is attending school at Red Deer are here to spend Christmas with their father, H. D. Connor.



By DR. E. W. NEATBY
Director
Liberator Farm Service
Winnipeg, Manitoba

Another Year

It is hard to believe that this is our sixth wartime Christmas; but, on the other hand, it is a long time, a very long time. Changes in our day to day activities, privileges and responsibilities have been revolutionary, but they have taken place gradually that it has been fairly easy to adjust ourselves. How different it has been for millions in Europe and Asia. How easy it should be for us to be thankful and to be grateful to those who have made real sacrifices.

How dare we, for any reason, talk about "equality of sacrifice"? If it is sacrifice to pay income tax, to buy bonds, to drive an old car or move to a smaller house, to work a little harder, to do without luxuries, even some things we once thought necessities, then surely we must coin a new word to express our sympathy and admiration for the men who are giving, everything; and for the wives, parents and children who have given husbands, sons and fathers.

We might have lost the war, and there might then have been equality of sacrifice.

By all means let us rejoice at Christmas; but, at the same time, remember the men to whom the real credit for victory should and will, we hope, go. Let us also remember with pride and gratitude those to whom Christmas joy will never be quite the same.

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Britain's War Effort

IT HAS BEEN APPARENT since the beginning of the war that the people of Britain have faced the danger, discomfort and privation which they have been called upon to endure, with courage and optimism. They have experienced to the full the "blood, sweat and tears" which Mr. Churchill promised in his famous speech, delivered at a time when Britain's future appeared far from bright, but there has never been any indication of defeatism. Britain has been under frequent air attack throughout the war, and added to this has suffered continued shortage of many items essential to comfort, including food, fuel and clothing. In addition there has been the blackout. In spite of this, the British people have played a leading part in building up the great structure of men and materials which has at last out-matched Germany's military might.

Details Were Not Revealed

For security reasons, details of Britain's contribution to the Allied victory were not revealed until recently, when Mr. Brendan Bracken, the British Minister of Information, made them public in a White Paper entitled "Statistics Relating to the War Effort of the United Kingdom." In this paper it is stated that "the total war effort of the population of Britain is greater than that of any other belligerent," and there are many figures to prove the extent to which British resources, both human and material, have been mobilized. From a population of about 47,000,000, the armed forces have drawn 4,500,000 men and 500,000 women. On the industrial front the workers have turned out 70 per cent. of all the munitions "produced by or made available to the British Empire." These included 102,000 airplanes, 4,500,000 tons of shipping, 25,000 tanks, and nearly 4,000,000 machine guns.

Much Money Has Been Required

The money required to maintain this level of production has reached enormous proportions. Government expenditures, the White Paper states, have increased from four billions a year, at the outbreak of the war, to twenty-three billions. Carrying out this great undertaking has necessitated many financial sacrifices for the people of Britain, both individually, and as a nation. Assets amounting to more than four billions abroad have been sold and the foreign debt has increased by nine billions in the past five years. During this same period, exports on a commercial basis have been reduced by more than fifty per cent. Commenting on this aspect of Britain's war effort, Mr. Bracken wrote: "We have sacrificed most of our Victorian inheritance. What was the treasure of our grandfathers has gone, and it has been well and gladly sacrificed." The people of Britain and of the Empire should take great pride in the facts revealed in this White Paper.

PATENTS

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Human Interest Stories

Are Aple Proof That Most Editors Have Kind Hearts

Editors do have hearts despite all assertions to the contrary by reporting gentlemen of the press. True, they cut and "let it" without compunction, but just let a good "human interest" story come along, and the mill of human kindness is discernible even to those who swear that nothing but black ink runs through an editor's veins. Picking at random some human stories of the week:

The light at Eighth Avenue and 55th in the world's busiest city flashes three times from red to green before Patrolman Reilly gives the go-ahead signal. Not until a little white cat has drunk his fill of milk spilled from a 30-gallon can, and has returned to the sidewalk lapping his paws, is traffic allowed to proceed. And it's news worth precious space.

Another member of New York's felicitous family watching the procession of letters down a mail chute, and vainly trying to swat them as they pass, rates room in the papers.

A lonesome pup, searching for his missing master at a busy New Orleans intersection for 48 hours, stands on his hind legs to view occupants of passing cars. His vigil earns him a two-column picture.

And somehow these little items, telling of kindness, simple amusement, and loyalty help make not only editors but the war news itself less formidable—Christian Science Monitor.

Might Be Original

Vancouver Man May Have Copy Of First Canadian Newspaper

What may be the first newspaper printed in Canada was uncovered when Larry Wilson, proprietor of a Vancouver book shop, obtained a copy of the Quebec Gazette, published on Thursday, June 21, 1764.

Mr. Wilson found the ancient Gazette in a Vancouver auction room, noted the yellow appearance and the peculiar type faces and thought he had a treasure.

Because of the many forgeries which surround first editions, however, he immediately started an investigation to ascertain if his copy was an original or a forgery.

He has had correspondence with the library of Congress at Washington, the Boston Public Library, the Public Archives of Canada, McGill University, the Public Library of Toronto, and the late Douglas C. McMurtrie, noted historian of printing.

None of his sources could verify if the copy was authentic but some pointed out that facsimiles were published in 1864.

The paper is printed in English and French and agitated about a scheme which was afoot to tax "our American colonies."

Until 1867, Alaska was designated on maps as Russian America.

Many Co-operatives

Have Extended Activities To Almost Every Field Of Production

In the matter of services to their members, Canadian Co-operatives have extended their activities to almost every field of production and consumption, as well as the complementary services which affect these items in daily life, states A. H. Turner, in the latest issue of the Economic Analyst. The article indicates that the following number of co-operatives in Canada were reported and were active in 1942-43 in the different fields of co-operative service: dairy products, 446; fruits and vegetables, 161; grain and seed, 105; live stock, 225; poultry, 194; honey, 6; maple products, 7; tobacco, 10; wool, 7; fur, 2; lumber and wood, 7; food products, 518; clothing and home furnishings, 229; petroleum products and auto accessories, 500; feed, fertilizer and spray material, 625; machinery and equipment, 125; coal, wood and building material, 413; credit unions, 1,780; fishermen associations, 67; farm mutual fire insurance, 400; telephone service, 2,387; hospital care, 60; miscellaneous marketing, 14; miscellaneous community entertainment and recreation, bus transportation, home building, restaurant, rooming house; burial and funeral service and other types of co-operative association.

While a complete classification of all types of co-operatives listed or operating in Canada has not yet been possible, the foregoing grouping indicates a widespread development in many lines. Also a number of the associations listed have many places of business and have province-wide or even international memberships in some cases. Many are now members of international co-operatives as well.

In 1942 co-operatives controlled and administered separately a portion of the world, there are more than 800,000 co-operative societies, with a membership of over 14,280,000. By continents, they are Africa with 3,568 societies and a membership of 333,000; America, 51,251 societies; members, 15 millions; Asia (excluding Russia), 167,554 societies; members, 15 millions; Europe (excluding Russia), 300,323 societies; members, 15 millions; Russia, 286,595 societies and 60 million members; Oceania 1,191 societies and 500,000 members.

PERSONAL ATTENTION

At the close of the last war General Pershing made a tour of the West, stopping at Cheyenne, Wyoming, to speak and shake hands with more than 3,000 school children. Afterward a little girl boasted to her parents that she had had a private word with the General. "What did he say to you?" they proudly asked. "He said, 'Pass on, little girl, pass on!'"

A QUEER THEFT

A thief to surpass all thefts in Italy, where thievery has become tragically common, was announced by the Allied Commission in Rome. Three hundred and twenty-five tons of paraffin wax was stolen from a supply depot in Naples.

Keeping Dry



Price Control And Rationing Information

Q—I was married last month, please tell me what to do about the ration book for my wife.

A—Advise your Local Ration Board of your present address, not forgetting to give them at the same time your maiden name and ration book number—be sure to change the name and address on your ration book to conform with your present status.

Q—I have been discharged from the Air Force and they did not give me any ration book. How do I get one?

A—We would advise you to get in touch with your Local Ration Board and your new ration book will be issued. It will be necessary to present either your discharge papers or a letter signed by the Commanding Officer where you were discharged. Do not waste any time in applying for your book, otherwise you will not receive the coupons covering the period from the time of discharge to the time of application for a ration book.

Q—Are canning sugar coupons still valid?

A—Yes, the first ten "I" canning sugar coupons are still valid but only until December 31. These coupons are included in ration book number 3. After the end of December ration books 3 and 4 will be of no further use to you and may be destroyed after that date.

Q—I have given a one year subscription to a magazine as a Christmas gift. The magazine is not yet in print. Do you have any time limit on the price to be paid for it?

A—The price of newspapers, magazines and periodicals are exempt from Prices Board regulations.

Please send your questions or your request for the pamphlet "Sterling News" or the Price Book in which you will find out your buying prices mentioning the name of this paper to the nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board office in your province.

Prevent Floods

Proposals Are Being Studied For Post-War Work

The prairie farm rehabilitation administration announced that measures to prevent spring flooding in Brandon, Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg areas of Manitoba along the Assiniboine river now are being studied for proposed post-war projects.

The proposed work would include construction of two reservoirs in Saskatchewan, at Annie Laurie lake and Lomond lake, providing a capacity of 2,722,500,000 gallons of water.

Larger reservoirs would have to be built northeast of Brandon at St. Lazare and near Sheldom in Manitoba with the St. Lazare dam some 60 feet in height.

MORE CARE REQUIRED

Canadian wool must be marketed in better condition if it is to hold its own with other wools according to J. A. Teifer, in charge of sheep production for the Dominion Department of Agriculture. The chief trouble is dirtiness, which can be greatly reduced by a little care in handling.

The University of Paris was the model for Oxford and Cambridge.

Something Hot For Lunch



Youngsters enjoy something hot for lunch at school and only the simplest equipment is needed for this type of school lunch plan. The children bring all their lunch from home and included is one meal to be heated. A covered jar prevents spills in the lunch box, and each child's jar is marked with his name. At recess the jars are collected and placed in a pan of water on the stove. When the twelve o'clock bell rings the contents are piping hot. Popular with the children in the rural Manitoba school in which this picture was taken are cream soup, stew, baked beans and creamed vegetables with cheese.

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A Great Craft

First Guild Of Silversmiths Formed In England In 1180

The history of English silver goes back to 1180, when the first Guild of Silversmiths was formed.

In 1388 the word "sterling" was coined by Edward III, to denote articles made of unadulterated silver, 925 pure.

Ever since the first guild was formed, silver has been marked with what is known as a hall mark, a mark peculiar to the individual maker and indicating to the initiated, date, etc. All early silver was marked with some emblem, each city having its own—e.g. London the leopard, Sheffield the crown. All Scotch silver bore the mark of the thistle; all Irish the figure of Hibernia.

The earliest English silver, was mostly church-plate, the work of craftsmen monks, who fashioned lovely the beautiful Communion vessels.

Later, silver became secular and drinking-horns, tankards, beakers and christening mugs played their part in the life of the people. There was a strange fad, too, in early times for coconut shells and ostrich eggs mounted in exquisite silver designs. With the use of salt came the great silver salt-dishes, set in the centre of the long board, to mark the graduation of rank above and below the salt.

During the early centuries, fingers being the only implements for eating, magnificent silver basins and ewers graced the feasts, being the giant finger-bowls of the time.

During the 14th century spoons came into favor, developing from crude wooden articles, into elegant silver utensils. One development of these, the fancied apostle spoons, is the joy of collectors of today. About 1620, forks began to be used, but not till the 16th century, did cutlery, as we use it now—knives, forks and spoons—come into general use. To Queen Anne we owe much of our table courtesy of today.

To England, about 1658, came the hitherto unknown Chinese herb, tea, bringing to that land of fogs and cosy firesides not only the genial custom of tea-drinking but, also by degrees, all the elaborate silver paraphernalia of a stately social ritual.

First came the teapot closely followed by the tea-caddy and tea-caddy spoons. About 1700, came the sugar-bowl (the enormous bowl of old times), while about 1760 the tea-urn made its first appearance. About 1790, the complete tea-service was produced in all its silver beauty.

In 1742, a chemist discovered by accident that silver and copper could be mixed. From this discovery developed Sheffield plate, and silver, which had belonged exclusively to the wealthy, became possible for people of moderate means. Up till 1840, hand-made Sheffield plate of great beauty was produced in large quantities in England. In 1840, the discovery of electro-plating ended the day of the hand-made Sheffield.

Use Franchise

Compulsory Voting Is Urged For Citizens Of Canada

Compulsory voting in Canada was urged at Toronto by National President Walter G. Attridge, Montreal, of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Canada.

Necessary for "get out and vote" campaign is a "crime" in such a country as Canada, said Attridge, who heads the Junior Chamber's drive with that objective.

Three Canadian cities registered less than a 27 per cent. vote in municipal elections, he told the Young Men's Section of the Toronto Board of Trade.

NOT HIS RESPONSIBILITY

The wife of a recently-married Aberdeen had successfully undergone an operation for appendicitis. A day or two after the operation her husband was having a whisky with the doctor, who in a fit of forgetfulness mentioned that the operation had been passed.

The father-in-law received the bill.

Meat Contracts

British Food Minister States What Canada Will Supply

Food Minister J. J. Llewellyn told a press conference in London that arrangements were going forward for conclusion of contracts with Canada for supply of bacon, ham and beef in 1946. He did not elaborate.

During this year and 1945, the food minister told the House of Commons, Nov. 15, Canada will supply a minimum 50,000,000 pounds of beef each year and the United Kingdom would purchase a maximum of 112,000,000 pounds this year and 134,000,000 in 1945.

SMILE AWHILE

Cyril: "You may spurn me, but remember I shall not always be a clerk at \$30 a week."

Marie: "That's just the trouble. You may lose your job at any time."

"This is a great country, Pat."

"And how's that?"

"The paper says you can buy a five dollar money order for six cents."

"My father has influenza all the time."

"Doesn't he know that whiskey is good for influenza?"

"Yes, that's why he has it all the time."

Male: "Strapholder: 'Madame, you are standing on my foot.'"

Female: "Ditto: 'I beg your pardon. I thought it belonged to the man sitting down.'"

Secretary: "Do you know what time I have to get up to be here by nine?"

Office Manager: "Why not get here by nine and find out?"

"I am very worried about my son's health."

"What has he got?"

"A motorcycle."

"Did you hear about that delicate Mr. Hangon got last night?"

"No."

Well, Edith found that looking at the clock and other familiar devices were of no avail, so she asked for some refreshments, and her mother sent in a dish of breakfast food."

Neighbor (sympathetically) — And I know how long these years must seem to you.

Deserted Wife—Yes, but I remember when he left just as if it had been yesterday—how he stood at the door holding it open until six files got into the house.

"Hey, Bill!" yelled the electrician to his helper, "grab hold of one of those wires."

"OK," said Bill. "I've got one."

"Feel anything?"

"No."

"Good! I wasn't sure which was which. Don't touch the other!"

The tired-looking man sat facing the solicitor.

"And so want a divorce from your wife?" said the latter. "Aren't your relations pleasant, then?"

"Mine are," answered the other weakly, "but hers are perfectly horrid."

Mr. Pester—That's a pretty woman that just passed us.

Mrs. Pester—H'm! She's wearing her last season's hat, her puffs don't match her hair, her waist hikes up in the back and her skirt sags on one side. Men never notice anything.

SOON WEAR OUT

For every 100 combat rifles that go overseas, 80 will have to be replaced within a year. For every hundred machine guns, the ratio is 85 annual replacements.

The most important mineral substances required in food are the salts of iron, iodine, phosphorus, calcium (lime), manganese, potassium, and soda.

OUR CHRISTMAS STORY

"FINDERS KEEPERS"

By VIOLET MOSS

McClure Newspaper Syndicate

Ben turned his coat collar up against the biting winter wind and stared moodily out the toy store window. It looked so bright, so cheerful in there, many-colored playthings strewn in studied disorder where they might tempt the last minute Christmas shopper. In the centre of the display, gleaming brightly, stood the red fire engine.

Ben remembered how, when they'd passed this store last week, the boy had stopped, his eyes bright, his young voice shrill with excitement. He'd said, "Look, Daddy, Mummy, lookit the engine! It's got a bell, just like a real one! It's—gee, it's swell!" That had been all, no demanding, no pleading. The boy knew better than to ask for anything so costly. The poverty of this last year, caused by Ben's illness, was about all his youthful memory could hold. The easier days that had been before were forgotten. He knew only disappointment and lack. And that was all wrong.

Ben's eyes were stinging, but not because of the cold. Suddenly he felt so inadequate, so frustrated. This was the most important season of the year for children should somehow be made especially festive. But how, without money? His long sickness had eaten their savings so greedily and swiftly that it had soon become necessary for Ben to take part-time work. Oh, they'd never gone hungry, but for months he had lain helpless, waiting until the doctors pronounced him once more fit to work. Of course that was all in the past. Things would be different after the first of the year when he began his new job. It was a good job, too—assistant foreman at the mill. Sure; but tomorrow would be Christmas, and about that and all it should mean to his son he could do nothing.

Turning almost savagely away from the window, he walked down the street to Gilden's Department Store. He might as well do his pitifully meager holiday shopping. A few handkerchiefs for Nan, a cheap game for the boy. Oh, well, be thankful for regained health and a brighter future.

Once in the store, his face burning in the unaccustomed warmth, he hesitated for a moment before plunging into the swarming crowd around the handkerchief counter. Searching for an opening, his glance fell upon something dark on the floor. A change! Ben leaned forward, snatched it up and walked quickly, looking neither to right nor left, toward a telephone booth at one side of the store. He entered, slammed the door shut and, breathing hard, fumbled with the purse. Eight dollars! Like an answer to his prayers, he had eight dollars in his shaking hand. Enough to take care of this Christmas in the grand manner. That red fire engine, something wildly luxurious like perfume for Nan. A fat turkey. This was great, this was stupendous.

Well, what was he waiting for? He should go out right now, do his shopping, hurry home jubilantly laden with packages. But still he stood motionless, his eyes fast on the purse. It was such a wretched little piece of leather, so worn. It didn't belong to someone wealthy. It looked as if it—oh, what of it? Finders keepers, losers weepers. He stayed in the stuffy booth for fully ten minutes, fighting a battle with himself. When he finally emerged, his footsteps were slow and they were headed for the Lost and Found Department.

At the desk, Ben numbly handed the purse to the clerk, vaguely heard him say, "Oh, thank you, sir! The party who lost this has already inquired. You're making somebody very happy by returning it."

Yeah, that was swell. He was making somebody happy—but not his family, his loved ones. Yet, at the clerk's hearty, "Merry Christmas to you," a surge of gladness swept over him, a feeling almost of triumph.

Absent-mindedly he left the store, walked about aimlessly for an hour, then remembered he hadn't done his buying. Rushing into the nearest shop, he chose from the least expensive gift items.

When he arrived home, awkwardly hiding the packages under his coat, the boy had fallen asleep, and Ben was glad. Somehow he couldn't stand that small pathetic face, those expectant eyes, tonight. He slipped his gifts under a chair, ate dinner with Nan quietly and went to bed.

And then it was morning, and someone was tugging at his leg. It was the boy. "Merry Christmas,

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Churchill Meeting Wartime Needs Of Britain In Inspiring Manner

Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain has passed the 70-year markstone. As a public man who "plays cricket well," Churchill merited the most compliment," said him by the 87-year-old Labor member of the British Commons, Mr. Will Thorne: "Seventy not out." For the record of the incomparable wartime leader of the United Kingdom and the greatest single force for victory for the Allied cause is an extremely good score.

Mr. Churchill has color, fortrightness and courage beyond gauging. As a soldier-statesman he is meeting the wartime needs of the British Isles in an inspiring manner. His only counterpart in the Commonwealth is Field Marshal Smuts, Premier of South Africa, while in the broader scope of the United Nations, President Roosevelt and Premier Stalin alone approach Prime Minister Churchill in leadership calibre.

From every nation—great and small—in the Grand Alliance, will rise the prayer that Winston Churchill may be spared, in vigor of health, to complete the Allied march to victory, however long and rough the last mile may prove. A freedom-loving world salutes the one and only Churchill as he enters a new year and a new decade.—Stratford Beacon-Herald.

Dr. F. W. Clements of the Commonwealth Health Department and director of Australia's Health and Medical Research Council, speaking recently to an Ottawa audience, said that these clinics reach 98% of all Australian babies at some time during their first year of life and that three out of four babies attend the clinics regularly.

Dr. Clements described the clinics in the rural towns and cities as similar to the Well Baby Centres, familiar to many Canadian mothers.

Rural districts receive regular visits from mobile clinics set up in specially equipped railway cars and motor vans.

SELECTED RECIPES

CHOCOLATE TOP

1/2 cup butter
2 cups milk
2 tablespoons corn starch
1/4 cup sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 1/2 ounces unsweetened chocolate
1/4 cup sugar
1/2 cup shortening
1/2 cup milk
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Line a 9-inch pie plate with pie paste. Building up the rim, add 1/2 cup milk and 1/2 cup shortening. Heat to 425 degrees F. for 10 minutes. Remove from the oven only long enough to pour in filling.

Filling: Heat milk. Mix the corn starch and sugar with the milk and add to the beaten eggs. Add hot milk gradually, stirring until smooth. Add vanilla. Pour into hot shell and return to the oven. Reduce the temperature to 325 degrees F. for about 30 minutes or until custard is firm. Melt chocolate in top of double boiler. Add sugar and butter. Add milk slowly, 1/2 tablespoon at a time, stirring smooth after each addition. Remove from heat, cool slightly, add vanilla and spread evenly over the baked filling. Yield: One 9-inch pie.

SEVEN IS MAXIMUM

Seven is the maximum number of eclipses that can occur in one year; five of the sun and two of the moon, or four of the sun and three of the moon.



Toronto is another Canadian city which has added a 'Teen Agers' club to its assembly of amusement places. The first opened some weeks ago in Winnipeg, Man. Here a group of 'teen agers' are making merry on the opening night at Jesse Ketchum hall where the club is located. Hey tunes are provided by the club's own six-man band. Here George Malcolm, clarinetist, plays the girls with his jive.

Miniature Radios

Used In Holland For Listening To Allied Broadcasts

Dutch patriot workers have developed a pocket-size radio receiving set made to German specifications during the occupation of the Netherlands and used them to listen to Allied broadcasts. The existence of the tiny set was disclosed by a Hollander who approached British tank troops about to go into action somewhere in Holland. The man, who had been a laboratory worker in a radio factory, asked a correspondent if he would "like to listen to the news." He then held out a pocket watch that immediately began to vibrate with the confident tones of a BBC announcer. It was attached to a three-tube radio set packed into a small German-issued field dressing box with a Red Cross on the lid. The power came either from a battery or a hand-worked dynamo—also pocket-sized. The set was one of many that had been built as experiments.—Brandon Sun.

Clamp Down

Germany Will Not Be Able To Experiment On Weapons After The War

Prime Minister Churchill informed the House of Commons that the Allies were making plans to see that Germany could not carry out any secret experiments to develop long-range weapons after the war.

"We have a lot of regular people on the job and so have our American and Allied friends," he told a member who raised the question.

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ITEMS KOLUMN

—By F. P. K.

Some original, some copied, but all interesting, useful or provocative!

Safety First

If you have plans for tomorrow, better be careful today!

IRISH

Baz O'Meara of Montreal "Star" is guest on Hot Stove league hockey, Maple Leaf Gardens, Toronto, said on Radio, "Another long forgotten, but well remembered Montreal team is the Maroons!" Yes—Baz is Irish, or is he?

CHEWING GUM

American soldiers overseas are consuming an average of 630 sticks of gum per man per year against 77 when in civilian life.

The Canadian Wrigley Gum Co. are ready to ship all the gum it produces, if necessary, on their Overseas Plan of 29 packages boxed for \$1.00 prepaid, to anyone in the armed forces. See your retailer for proper forms and do it now.

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HORSES

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If there are any horses able to read they'll appreciate this new development. One man can take the horse who has been hurt and is lying on the road—put him on a stretcher into the ambulance car by the use of a winch driven by the auto's motor. As many as five or six horses a day are removed in Montreal and taken to the owners' homes for the Vet. Many lives will be saved, especially in winter when a downed animal can easily get pneumonia from the chill of ice wind.

BUY AND BUY

The real business life of Canada is determined by the people walking into stores and buying goods.

A THOUGHT TO REMEMBER

Flowers leave part of their fragrance in the hand that bestows them.—Chinese Proverb.

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We wish to thank one and
all for the splendid party in
our honor, also the lovely gift.

We will take this opportunity
to wish you all a Merry
Christmas and prosperity for
the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo Wanner

Mr. Geo M. Aitken left on
Wednesday afternoon for
Vancouver, where he will
spend the winter months.

Pte L E. Milligan arrived
here last week to spend a
leave at his home here.

IMPORTANT CHANGES

IN TRAIN SERVICE

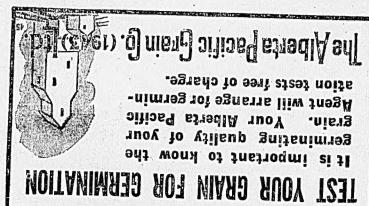
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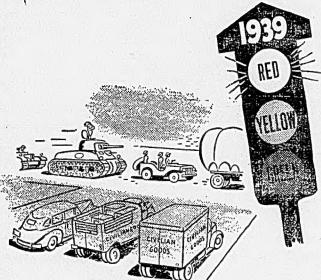
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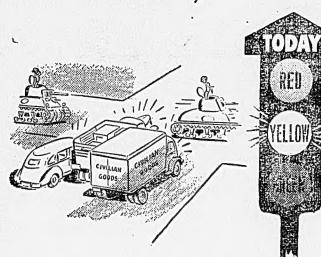
CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS



DON'T CONFUSE THE SIGNALS



War came. The manufacture of most civilian goods had to be cut down or stopped to make way for war production. That caused shortages of civilian goods—that was the RED LIGHT



Some restrictions are now being lifted, but it does not mean lots of goods right away. War's demands are still huge and must come first. We can't neglect them just so that some of us here at home can get a little more.

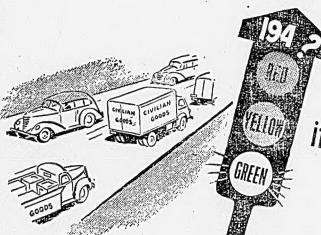
Don't confuse the signals—(This is the YELLOW LIGHT ONLY).

It means a little more of some things and it helps business men get ready for the time when there will be more materials and workers available.

It does not mean the end of shortages!

Getting back to peacetime production will necessarily be piecemeal and gradual.

"Patience" is the word.



it's NOT the green light yet

Only after Victory over both enemies can the Green Light be switched on, and the road cleared for enough production to meet all our civilian needs.

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in one Orchestra

Added Edgar Comedy.

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